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October 21, 2008

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:
ESTABLISH CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 88919 FOR THE
FIRE COMMAND AND CONTROL FACILITY DISPATCH PROJECT,
AWARD CONTRACT, AND APPROVE APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT
(FIRST DISTRICT) (4-VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Establishment of Capital Project No. 88919, approval of the project budget, appropriation adjustment, and award a refurbishment contract for the Fire Command and Control Facility Dispatch Project.

JOINT RECOMMENDATION WITH THE FIRE CHIEF THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that this project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this Board letter and in the project files.
2. Establish Capital Project No. 88919 for the Fire Command and Control Facility Dispatch Project.
3. Approve the appropriation adjustment to transfer \$2,400,000 from the Consolidated Fire District's Financing Elements, Designation for Capital Projects, and \$932,000 from the Consolidated Fire District's Accumulated Capital Outlay Fund, Services and Supplies appropriation to Capital Project No. 88919 to fully finance the proposed project cost.

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4. Approve the total project budget of \$5,331,000 for the Fire Command and Control Facility Dispatch Project.
5. Authorize the Fire Chief to enter into a refurbishment contract with Red Stick Development, Inc., in the amount of \$4,415,870 from the District's As-Needed Contracts list approved by your Board on December 13, 2005.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will establish Capital Project No. 88919 and allow the Fire District to modernize and update the Fire Command and Control Facility (FCCF), which houses the 911 dispatch center and facility infrastructures. The FCCF was built in 1989 to provide 911 services to the residents of Los Angeles County. The center also serves as the Office of Emergency Services, Region 1, resource coordinator during major events, such as wildland fires, seismic events, and flooding. The refurbishment project replaces existing systems that support the 911 center, which have exceeded their life cycle. The project also includes the installation of reliable and redundant mechanical systems to ensure facility functions allowing for uninterrupted fire and life safety services.

The project consists of the removal and replacement of twenty 911 dispatch consoles, control panels, and hardware and equipment, all of which support the dispatch center. In addition, the project scope includes the enhancement of the Major Operation Center, training room, and the Emergency Operation Center, all of which are activated during major events. Other upgrades to supporting systems include the fire alarm and suppression systems, which are currently outdated and in their current condition are subject to catastrophic equipment failure if activated. The replacement of the water suppression system in the computer server room, uninterrupted power supply (UPS) and the telecommunications room, with a waterless fire suppression system allows for activation without damage to equipment or harm to personnel.

Green Building/Sustainable Design Program

The project will support your Board's Sustainable Design Program through recycling of building materials and the use of locally manufactured materials and energy efficient light fixtures. There will be operational savings from the completed project due to a reduction in electricity as a result of the sustainable elements included in the design.

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Completion of the proposed project complies with the County's Strategic Plan Goal of Fiscal Responsibility (Goal 4) by maintaining current and future infrastructure conditions and Service Excellence (Goal 1) by improving the efficiency, quality, and responsiveness of fire protection and emergency medical services within the County.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total cost of the FCCF Dispatch Project, including plans and specifications, plan check, refurbishment, change orders, Civic Art allocation, consultant services, miscellaneous expenditures, and County services is estimated at \$5,331,000. The Project Schedule and Budget Summary are detailed in Attachment A.

The proposed project is fully funded by the District's Accumulated Capital Outlay Fund.

The attached appropriation adjustment (Attachment B) transfers \$2,400,000 from the Fire Districts Financing Elements, Designation for Capital Projects and \$932,000 from the Fire District's Accumulated Capital Outlay Fund, Services and Supplies Appropriation, \$3,332,000 to be transferred to the Fire Protection District Accumulated Capital Outlay Fund, Fire Command and Control Facility Dispatch Remodel Project, Capital Project (C.P.) No. 88919. Following your Board's approval of the appropriation adjustment, sufficient funding will be available in C.P. No. 88919 to fully fund the project.

There is no impact to net County cost.

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

Upon completion of the Fire Command and Control Facility Project, there will be no impact to the operating budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The project consists solely of minor alterations to the existing structure and is an upgrade to the District's dispatch hardware and infrastructure, which is exempt from your Board's Civic Art policy adopted on December 7, 2004.

Red Stick Development, Inc., is in full compliance with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.200 (Child Support compliance Program) and Chapter 2.203 (Contractor Employee Jury Service Program).

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The project is categorically exempt pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15301 (a), (d), and (e) and Class 1 (e) and Class 1 (x) (21) of the County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987. The project consists of minor alterations to the existing structure by the removal and replacement of twenty 911 dispatch consoles, control panels, and hardware and equipment, with no expansion or modifications to the exterior of the facility.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On July 7, 2008, four Board-approved contractors were offered the opportunity to bid on the FCCF Dispatch Project. On July 28, 2008, a job walk was held on-site and four contractors attended. On August 4, 2008, three sealed bids were received. Upon evaluation of the bids, Red Stick Development, Inc., was the Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder. The amount of the bid surpasses the amount authorized and delegated to the Fire District, thus requiring your Board's authorization to execute the contract.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

There will be no negative impact on current County services.

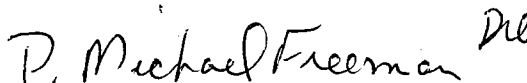
CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted, stamped copy of this letter to my office, and one to the Fire District.

Respectfully submitted,



WILLIAM T FUJIOKA
Chief Executive Officer



P. MICHAEL FREEMAN
Fire Chief

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Attachment

c: County Counsel
Department of Public Social Services
Fire Department, Construction and Maintenance Division
Office of Affirmative Action

October 21, 2008

ATTACHMENT A

**FIRE COMMAND AND CONTROL FACILITY
DISPATCH PROJECT
AWARD CONTRACT - C.P. 88919**

I. PROJECT SCHEDULE

Project Activity	Scheduled Completion Date
Project Needs Assessment *	08/07
Project Feasibility *	10/07
Project Program *	12/07
Design Refurbishment Document Submittal *	05/01/08
Jurisdictional Approval*	05/15/08
Refurbishment Bid and Award	10/21/08
Refurbishment Substantial Completion	03/15/09
Project Acceptance	04/15/09

*Indicates completed activities.

II. PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY

Budget Category	Proposed Project Budget
Refurbishment	
(a) Base Refurbishment	\$ 4,416,000
(b) Change Order Fund	\$ 442,000
(c) Unforeseen Conditions	\$ 25,000
(d) Civic Art	\$ 0
Subtotal	\$ 4,883,000
Equipment	
(a) Telecommunications	\$ 0
(b) Utility Connection Fee	\$ 0
Subtotal	\$ 0
Design	
(a) Plans and Specifications	\$ 98,000
(b) Refurbishment Administration	\$ 34,000
Subtotal	\$ 132,000
Consultant Services	
(a) Special Inspection	\$ 8,000
(b) Project Management	\$ 91,000
(c) Special Studies: Building Baseline	\$ 97,000
Subtotal	\$ 196,000
Jurisdictional Review and Plan Check	\$ 25,000
County Services:	
LACoFD – PM Services	\$ 95,000
TOTAL	\$ 5,331,000

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTDEPT'S. 390-03
NO.

DEPARTMENT OF FIRE

October 1, 19 2008

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. WILL YOU PLEASE REPORT AS TO ACCOUNTING AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

4-Vote
Fiscal Year 2008-09

Summary Total:

Sources:

\$ 5,732,000

Uses:

\$ 5,732,000

The Appropriation Adjustment is necessary to fund the FCCF Dispatch Project. /

Theresa R. Barrera

Theresa R. Barrera, Chief, FMD

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR

ACTION

RECOMMENDATION

APPROVED AS REQUESTED

AS REVISED

October 7 2008
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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

BY

*Karen Juturna*APPROVED (AS REVISED):
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

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Fiscal Year 2008-09

SOURCES:

Fire Department
Financing Elements
✓ Designation for Capital Project
DA1-FR-3016
\$ 2,400,000 ✓

Fire Department
✓ Consolidated FPD-ACO
Services & Supplies
J13-FR-2000-50099
Decrease Appropriation
\$ 932,000 ✓

Fire Department
✓ Consolidated FPD-ACO
✓ Fire – FCCF Dispatch Fac
✓ Operating Transfers In/CP ✓
J13-CP-96-9919-65033-88919
\$ 2,400,000

USES:

Fire Department
✓ Services Budget Unit ~~6100~~
Operating Transfers Out
DA1-FR-~~6100~~-40100-40191
\$ 2,400,000

Fire Department
Consolidated FPD-ACO
✓ Fire – FCCF Dispatch Fac
Buildings & Improvements
J13-CP-6014-65033-88919
Increase Appropriation
\$ 3,332,000

PA# 040 Karen Zukema 10/6/08